

Be the light of the world, he says. Where there are dark places, be the light especially there. Be the salt of the earth. Bring out the true flavor of what it is to be truly alive. Be life-givers to others. That is what Jesus tells the disciples to be. That is what Jesus tells his church, tells us, to be and do. Love each other. Heal the sick, he says. Raise the dead, cleanse lepers. Cast out demons. . . . If the church is doing things like that, then it is being what Jesus told it to be. If it is not doing things like that—no matter how many other good and useful things it may be doing instead—then it is not doing what Jesus told it to be. It is as simple as that.

Frederick Buechner
“The Church,” *Secrets in the Dark*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in the worship, program, and service life of Fourth Church.

During Today's Worship

Large-print bulletins, Bibles, and hymnals are available in the back of the sanctuary.

If your infant or small child needs care during the worship service, you may leave the sanctuary and return as you wish. The worship service audio can be heard in Stone Chapel, where you and your child are also welcome. Child care for infants and toddlers is provided in Westminster 14, through the south transept doors and to the right. See an usher for directions.

Worship bags, containing quiet activities and a bulletin designed for children, are available outside the south transept doors, between the sanctuary and Anderson Hall. Children who are attending worship in the sanctuary are invited to borrow one of these bags.

During the Concerns of the Church, please pass the pew information pads, so that all worshipers have an opportunity to provide updated information and to greet one another by name following the service.

Please turn off all cell phones when in the sanctuary.

If You Are New to Fourth Church

Please wear a lapel pin, found in the pew racks, so we might greet you after worship.

A church tour begins at 12:15 p.m., starting at the back of the sanctuary.

We invite you to stop by Coffee Hour after worship for fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

Parking is available Sundays at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$7.00 until 2:00 p.m. and at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75 to 4:00 p.m. and \$6.00 after 5:00 p.m. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.

Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to explore Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Monday, November 6 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, November 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, November 26 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For information about membership, contact Calum MacLeod, Associate Pastor, at the church at 312.981.4025 (cmacleod@fourthchurch.org).

Fourth Church Cares

For pastoral care; to notify the church of illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; to pass along a prayer request to be remembered in Morning Prayer; or to arrange homebound Communion, contact Elizabeth Andrews, Minister for Congregational Care, at 312.274.3818 (eandrews@fourthchurch.org).

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MORNING WORSHIP

8:00, 9:30, and 11:00

*The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent,
personal preparation for the worship of God.*

PRELUDE
(8:00)

Sheep May Safely Graze

Johann Sebastian Bach

PRELUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Johann Christian Kittel

Sheep May Safely Graze

Johann Sebastian Bach

Toccata and Fugue in D Minor

J. S. Bach

INTROIT

“Praise Ye the Lord”

Donald Cashmore

Praise ye the Lord. Praise, O ye servants
of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

***DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION**

(The Hymnal, 592)

***HYMN 260**

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Tune: EIN’ FESTE BURG

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(unison)

**Merciful God, in your gracious presence
we confess our sin and the sin of this world.
Although Christ is among us as our peace,
we are a people divided against ourselves
as we cling to the values of a broken world.
The profit and pleasures we pursue
lay waste the land and pollute the seas.
The fears and jealousies that we harbor set
neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation.
We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom,
of intellect and reason,
and have turned them into bonds of oppression.
Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us.
Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of
your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PSALTER Psalm 34:1–10 (*responsively*) (page 480, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Almighty and Everlasting God” *Orlando Gibbons*
Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities; and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand and defend us, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Matthew 16:13–18 (page 17, N.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

***GLORIA PATRI** (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON 1 Peter 2:9–10 (page 219, N.T.)

SERMON by John M. Buchanan
SAINTS, SINNERS, AND THE GATES OF HELL
“. . . on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.”
Matthew 16:18 (NRSV)

***HYMN 421** “The Church of Christ in Every Age” *Tune: WAREHAM*

***APOSTLES CREED** (*unison*)
**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and
sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(unison)

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.**

PRAYER RESPONSE

“Amen”

Heinrich Isaak

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO
(8:00)

“The Song of the Tree of Life” *Ralph Vaughan Williams*
Unto him that overcometh shall be given of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God. On either side of the river groweth the tree of life; the leaves of the tree are for thy healing. In the midst of that fair city flows a river of water of life clear as crystal. Who so will, let him take of the water of life freely. Who so drinketh of this water shall never thirst. Take thou the leaves of the tree of life. So shalt thou enter in through the gates of the city.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
(9:30 and 11:00)

“I Was Glad”

Henry Purcell

I was glad when they said unto me: We will go into the house of the Lord. For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord, to testify unto Israel and to give thanks unto the name of the Lord. For there is the seat of judgment, even the seat of the house of David. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls and plenteousness within thy palaces. Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

***PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND RESPONSE**

For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these gifts that are your own:
here we of - fer, Lord, our prai - ses; heart and mind and strength we bring.
Give us grace to love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

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***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All: **Almighty and merciful God, from whom comes
all that is good, we praise you for your mercies,
for your goodness that has created us,
your grace that has sustained us,
your discipline that has corrected us,
your patience that has borne with us,
and your love that has redeemed us.
Help us to love you, and to be thankful for all your gifts
by serving you and delighting to do your will,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***HYMN 430**

“Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!” *Tune: DARWALL’S 148TH*

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

Please remain seated as the bagpiper recesses down the center aisle.

RECESSIONAL

POSTLUDE
(8:00)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Helmut Walcha

POSTLUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

“You are Peter, and on this rock
I will build my church, and the gates
of Hades will not prevail against it.”

Henri Mulet

Reformation Sunday

TODAY IS REFORMATION SUNDAY, a day when we recall the rich heritage in the Protestant tradition. The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) grew out of the Reformation of the sixteenth century under leaders such as John Calvin and John Knox. The last Sunday in October has been chosen as Reformation Sunday because it was on October 31, 1517, that Martin Luther posted his ninety-five theses on the church door in Wittenberg, a significant event in the history of the Reformed tradition. Reformation Sunday is also a day when we remember and give thanks for Reformation leaders and all others who have kept the faith.

As part of our Reformation Sunday observances, we sing “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” as our opening hymn. Based on Psalm 46, the hymn was written and composed by Martin Luther in 1529 and soon became the rallying cry of the Protestant Reformation. By 1900, the hymn had been translated into more than eighty languages, and today, nearly five hundred years later, more than two hundred versions of “A Mighty Fortress” are in common usage.

Also as part of our observance of Reformation Sunday, bagpiper Alison Gerlach will play a recessional, reminding us of the Scottish roots of the Presbyterian church.

Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m.	Donna Gray, Patrick Daymond, John M. Buchanan
9:30 a.m.	Dana Ferguson, Calum I. MacLeod, John M. Buchanan
11:00 a.m.	Dana Ferguson, Calum I. MacLeod, John M. Buchanan

The Music Today

8:00 a.m.	The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, alto soloist; Alison Gerlach, bagpiper
9:30 a.m.	The Morning Choir; Alison Gerlach, bagpiper
11:00 a.m.	The Morning Choir; Alison Gerlach, bagpiper

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist

Worship Notes

Today's Minute for Mission is being presented by Doug Pond on behalf of the Stewardship Committee.

The textile banners and pulpit parament, "Unweavings" created by Laurie Wohl, are intended to elevate the perception of the sacred in the "ordinary" as we make our faith journey day to day. More information about these hangings is available in the literature racks.

The bulletin cover depicts the seeds of new life, in the form of acorns. This hand carved stone on the north wall of the chancel dates from 1914, the year of Fourth Church's construction. During this Stewardship season, we are mindful that the gifts we pledge as "letters of Christ" plant seeds of new life in this congregation and the communities it serves.

Pastoral Staff

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